Government to Assam during last three years, till date is given in the statement (see below).

(b) It is proposed to earmark 10% of the budget allocation to the North-Eastern States.

Statement

Release of funds under Rural Development Programmes to Assam during 1995-96, 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99 (Till date)

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl No.	Name of the Scheme	Release of funds by Central Govt. to Assam			
		1995-96	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
1	2	3	4	5	6
1.	JRY	7719.76	3186.83	5524.15	4011.71
2.	EAS	8020.00	10820.00	8592.00	2488.00
3.	MWS	1143.53	1054.14	1210.22	723.35
4.	IAY	2656.32	3157.45	2931.07	3347.27
5.	IRDP	1537.96	1066.76	1425.63	1163.68
6.	DWCRA	158.85	180.89	136.16	118.88
7.	TRYSEM	81.57	105.45	104.33	71.22
8.	TOOLKITS	171.00	114.85	82.85	93.97
9.	NSAP	471.83	697.94	742.41	206.33
10.	ARWSP	2245.00	2353.57	2376.52	2485.48

*Including UNICEF

बंजर भूमि के विकास हेतु धनराशियों की सी०ए०जी० द्वारा लेखा परीक्षा

1208. **श्री ओंकार सिंह लखावत:** क्या ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या नियंत्रक-महालेखा परीक्षक (सी०ए०जी०) ने बंजर भूमि के विकास संबंधी विभिन्न कार्यक्रमों और योजनाओं के लिए सरकार द्वारा आवंटित धनराशियों के संबंध में लेखा-परीक्षा की है; यदि हां; तो ऐसी लेखा-परीक्षा किस-किस वर्ष के लिए की गई है और यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है;

(ख) क्या सरकार ने बंजर भूमि विकास कार्यक्रम का पुनरीक्षा, निरीक्षण एवं मार्गदर्शन करने के लिए कोई कारगर व्यवस्था की है; यदि हां; तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) राजस्थान में बंजर भूमि विकास हेतु आवंटित धनराशियां प्राप्त करने वाले उन संगठनों के नाम क्या है जिनके संबंध में सी०ए०जी० द्वारा लेखा-परीक्षा की गई और क्या लेखा परीक्षा रिपोर्ट में आपत्तियां दर्ज की गई है?

ग्रामीण क्षेत्र और रोजगार मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री बाबागौडा आर० पाटिल): (क) और (ख) जी, हां। बंजरभूमि विकास विभाग की स्थापना जुलाई, 1992 में की गई थी। विभाग के कार्यक्रमों की लेखा-परीक्षा प्रधान निदेशक, लेखा-परीक्षा, आर्थिक और सेवा मंत्रालय, नई दिल्ली, के कार्यालय के द्वारा की जाती है। अभी तक लेखा-परीक्षा, 31 मार्च 1997 को समाप्त अवधि तक के लिए की गई है।

(ग) राजस्थान में वित्तपोषित किसी भी संगठन के सम्बन्ध में कोई भी लेखा-परीक्षा पैरा विभाग में लम्बित नहीं है।

NGOs blacklisted by Capart

1209. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether nearly 350 Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) were blacklisted by Council for Advancement

of People's Action and Rural Technology (CAPART);

(b) whether any action has been taken against NGOs found guilty of misuse or fraudulent use of funds; if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether funding of such NGOs has been stopped; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BABAGOUDA PATIL): (a) It has been reported by CAPART that at present 248 voluntary organisations are on their blacklist. In addition, 152 voluntary organisations blacklisted by other Ministries/Departments are under their funding restrictions.

(b) CAPART has reported that all the voluntary organisations blacklisted by them have been intimated about their having been blacklisted. Details of the action initiated by CAPART against the blacklisted 248 organisations are as under:—

(i)	Number of voluntary organisations whose cases were referred to C.B.I. for investigation.	61
(ii)	Number of voluntary organisations whose cases have been returned by the C.B.I.	34
(iii)	Number of cases in which FIR has been lodged.	25
(iv)	Number of cases in which CAPART Project Evaluation reports have been received for placing before the Executive Committee of CAPART through National Standing Committee on Monitoring and Evaluation.	58
(v)	Number of cases of which the voluntary organisation has instituted court case.	
(vi)	Number of cases in which process for initiating action against the concerned organisation has been taken up.	137

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Modern equipments to skilled artisans

1210. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any national policy to provide modern equipment to skilled artisans living in rural areas in the country, particularly in Himachal Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof, district-wise/category-wise in Himachal Pradesh;

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI BABAGOUDA PATIL): (a) Yes, Sir. This Ministry is implementing a scheme of Supply of Improved Toolkits to Rural Artisans (SITRA) in the entire country including the state of Himachal Pradesh. Under this scheme, traditional rural artisans from different crafts, except weavers, tailors, needle workers and beediworkers, are provided improved toolkits. The average cost of a toolkit is Rs. 2,000/- for hand-driven tools and Rs. 4,500/- for power-driven tools. The units cost is to be fixed by the respective DRDA. 90% of the cost of the toolkit is subsidy from the Government of India and the remaining 10% is to be contributed by the beneficiary.

(b) The details of the number of beneficiaries covered under the scheme, district-wise/category-wise, in Himachal Pradesh during 1997-98 & 1998-99 are given in the statement.